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April 23, 2007

Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 395 E Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001 918168





Re: Request for Extension – BNSF Railway Company, Abandonment in

Boulder County, Colorado (Docket AB-6, Sub No. 442X)

Via Fax: Fax No: 202-245-0458 (Original to Follow)

**Dear Secretary Williams:** 

The City of Longmont, Colorado requested the filing of an NITU (Notice of Interim Trail Use) in our letter to the Surface Transportation Board dated, October 3, 2006 (see attached). The City of Longmont is requesting a 60 day extension to complete our work in the abandonment of this section of BNSF's rail line. We are working to get this resolved, but request the time extension to allow BNSF and the City of Longmont time to complete and execute an agreement on this matter.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Respectfully

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CC: Jake DeBoever, BNSF Railway Company

John Sims, BNSF Railway Company

Dale Rademacher, Public Works and Water Utility Department Director

Don Bessler, Parks and Open Space Steve Rainsweiler, Parks and Open Space

James Rourke, Deputy City Attorney

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

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October 3, 2006

Vernon Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street N.W. Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company – Abandonment in Boulder County, Colorado (Docket AB-6, Sub

No. 442X)

Dear Secretary Williams,

The City of Longmont requests the filing of an NITU (Notice of Interim Trail Use) in the above referenced proceeding. In support of this request, the alliance states the following:

Statement of Willingness to Assume Financial Responsibility

In order to establish interim trail use and rail banking under 16 U.S.C. 1247 (d) and 49 CFR 1152.29, the City of Longmont ("Interim Trail User"), is willing to assume full responsibility for management of, for any legal liability arising out of (unless the user is immune from liability, in which case it need only indemnify the railroad against any potential liability to the extent allowed by law), and for the payment of any and all taxes that may be levied or assessed against the right-of-way owned and operated by The BNSF Railway Company, (Railroad) with respect to that portion of the right of way in Boulder County, Colorado. The property extends from Milepost 35.59 to Milepost 36.72 in Longmont, a distance of 1.13 miles in Boulder County, Colorado. The right of way is a line proposed for abandonment in Docket AB-6, Sub-No.442X.

A map depicting the property is enclosed.

The City of Longmont acknowledges that use of the right-of-way is subject to the user's continuing to meet its responsibilities described above and subject to possible future reconstruction and reactivation of the right of

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way for rail service. A copy of this statement is being served on the railroad on the same date it is being served on the Board.

By: Julia Pirnack

Acting Deputy City Clerk

Michelle Lamm

Title: Mayor, City of Longmont

cc: City Council

Gordon Pedrow, City Manager

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